

**I CLAIM:**

## 1. A lampshade assembly comprising:

a rib retaining unit including a lower rib retaining member and an upper rib retaining member superimposed on said lower rib retaining member, one of said lower and upper rib retaining members being formed with a coupling post, the other of said lower and upper rib retaining members being formed with a post hole that permits said coupling post to extend removably therethrough, said rib retaining unit having a periphery, at least one of said lower and upper rib retaining members having one side that confronts the other of said lower and upper rib retaining members and that is formed with a plurality of anchoring units, said anchoring units being disposed around said coupling post, being angularly spaced apart from each other, and configuring said rib retaining unit with a plurality of anchoring grooves that extend in radial inward directions from said periphery of said rib retaining unit toward said coupling post, said rib retaining unit further including a fastening member that engages removably said coupling post for securing together said lower and upper rib retaining members; and

a plurality of shade members, each of which has an outer side, an inner side opposite to said outer side in a first direction, an upper edge, a lower edge opposite to said upper edge in a second direction transverse to the first direction, and a pair of side edges extending between said

upper and lower edges and opposite to each other in a third direction transverse to the first and second directions, each of said shade members further having a connecting rib that extends in the first direction from said upper edge at said inner side, said connecting rib having a distal end retained removably on said rib retaining unit in a respective one of said anchoring grooves,

said shade members being disposed adjacent to each other, and said inner sides of said shade members cooperating to form a lamp containing space when said distal ends of said connecting ribs of said shade members are retained on said rib retaining unit.

2. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said anchoring units are formed on each of said lower and upper rib retaining members such that said anchoring grooves are cooperatively confined by said lower and upper rib retaining members.

3. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said distal end of each of said connecting ribs is provided with an enlarged anchoring block, each of said anchoring grooves having an enlarged end portion disposed adjacent to said coupling post and disposed to receive said anchoring block on said distal end of the respective one of said connecting ribs therein.

4. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said coupling post is threaded externally, and said fastening member is formed with an internal thread for

threadedly engaging said coupling post.

5 5. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising a plurality of clip members, each of which interconnects removably said side edges of an adjacent pair of said shade members at said inner sides of the adjacent pair of said shade members.

10 6. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 5, wherein each of said clip members is generally U-shaped and is formed with a clamping space to engage said side edges of the adjacent pair of said shade members at said inner sides of the adjacent pair of said shade members.

15 7. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 5, further comprising a plurality of covering strips, each of which is disposed on said outer sides of an adjacent pair of said shade members to conceal said side edges of the adjacent pair of said shade members.

20 8. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 7, wherein each of said covering strips has upper and lower strip ends, said upper strip end being foldable over said upper edges of the adjacent pair of said shade members and toward said inner sides of the adjacent pair of said shade members, said lower strip end being foldable under said lower edges of the adjacent pair of said shade members and toward said inner sides of the adjacent pair of said shade members, each  
25 of said upper and lower strip ends being provided with a clip unit that interconnects said side edges of the adjacent pair of said shade members at said inner sides of the

adjacent pair of said shade members.

9. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 8, wherein each of said covering strips is made of a flexible material.

10. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising a mounting bracket adapted to mount said rib retaining unit on a lamp base.

11. The lampshade assembly as claimed in Claim 10, wherein:

said lower rib retaining member has a top side formed with said coupling post, and a bottom side formed with a threaded bore;

said mounting bracket having an upper end provided with a threaded pole for threadedly engaging said threaded bore, and a lower end adapted to be retained on the lamp base.